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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Response is submitted in reply to the Office Action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on August 27, 2002, in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the August 27, 2002 Office Action originally was due November 27, 2002. Enclosed herewith is a Petition for a Three Month Extension of Time and authorization to charge the fee due to the undersigned's deposit account. In view of the filing of this Petition, a response is now due February 27, 2003. Accordingly, this Amendment and Response is timely filed.